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- 1. EMBASSY HAS ALREADY INDICATED IN SPECIFIC COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION (REFTEL B) USG'S WILLINGNESS AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OPIUM SEIZED FROM ILLICIT TRAFFIC. HOWEVER, AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY EMBASSY WILL PRESENT TO FOREIGN OFFICE FORMAL STATEMENT CONCERNING USG'S WILLINGNESS.
- 2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, GOI HAS WITHIN PAST YEAR SEIZED IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 20 TONS OF ILLICIT OPIUM. ALTHOUGH GOI'S PAST PRACTICE HAS BEEN TO CONVERT IT TO USE FOR INTERNAL PURPOSES, EMBASSY NOW UNDERSTANDS THAT GOI MAY BE WILLING TO SELL SOME OF THE OPIUM CONSIDERED

SURPLUS TO THEIR CURRENT REQUIREMENTS. HELMS

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